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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 1:1.
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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HAVE A PURPOSE IN VIEW

Something Accomplished by Those Who Aspire to Greater Heights.

No End to Development and Advancement When Pursued With Vigor and Determination.

This morning as I was hurrying to my office my attention was called to a gentleman on the sidewalk that appeared to be wandering aimlessly about simply to pass the time away or for a little exercise. Judging from appearance he had no objective point in view neither did he have any business to attend to when he got there. He was past middle age, but not too old for active service.

As I hastened on, my mind occupied itself in thinking of the contrast between that man and myself. I must hurry, he could take his time; I had some place to go and much to do when I got there. Mine was not a selfish labor, but all for others; if he had anything at all in mind it was apparently for his own interests. He was left far behind on the street, and if he met a friend could take all the time he wanted in salutation and conversation.

As I increased my speed, for much must be done during the day, I thought of the multitudes of earth's inhabitants that are wandering aimlessly through this world with no purpose or object in view. Men spending the whole day through waiting for the night, and lying down at night to wait for the morning. Engaging in many things "just to pass the time away." To me a life of that kind would be most miserable.

A glance backward discloses the life of many whom it would be well to follow. While their work is done and their bodies have long since returned to dust, yet they are an open book the pages of which show one continual advance as if they were bound for a goal that they knew it would take all their time, putting forth their best efforts, to reach by the time their sun should set behind the gray locks of old age.

The sainted John Bunyan who was placed in Bedford jail because of his persistence

in proclaiming the wonderful gospel of Christ, could not lie around and pass the time away in games of idleness. No, he must hurry on. He had a purpose in view. He could not stop just because he was behind the bars. He must reach the goal for which he was bound and it would take all his time to do it.

Some might wonder how a man could hurry while locked in a cage. - But it was done in his case. The twelve years of imprisonment no doubt hastened on with him. He was hurrying on with a purpose in view. He was not idle. He could not be out free in the open sending forth the message that was burning in his bones but he could use his pen. The result of his hurry and rush was materialized in the great book, "The Pilgrim's Progress," that it is said has led more souls to Christ than any minister in a life time. And this wonderful book of his still lives, and while he is attending to his duties in glory his life and works are still having an influence for good in the world.

Think of Joseph, the son of Jacob who was afterward named Israel. While only a lad at home he got a glimpse of the goal far ahead. He must put forth his best efforts to reach it. It could not be gained by loitering around aimlessly. But soon we hear of him being thrown into a pit by his elder brothers who determined that he should not outstrip them. Almost before he had time to adjust himself to his surroundings he was lifted up out of the pit and sold as merchandise to a caravan of Ishmeelites. These traffickers took him to Egypt and sold him as a slave. But this brave boy adjusted himself to the circumstances that surrounded him and kept his eye on the goal ahead.

And he must hasten on to reach it. He was faithful as a slave, all the while develop-

ing and preparing for what was yet to come.

He was finally committed to prison on a false charge, but scarcely was he placed there until he gained the confidence of the keeper of the prison and was a helper to him. He never lost sight of the height in the distance. He must reach it before his sun goes down. So he must hurry on. The years no doubt seemed long at times, but he was in training and constantly developing his mind and seeking after God and wisdom preparatory to entering the door of his aspirations.

At last his time came and he was ready for it. But suppose he had been idling his time away in potting and discouragement, because "providences seemed to be against him" Suppose he had crouched down like a coward and not have braved the storms and tides of life, and lost his favor with God because of worry and fretting and complaint. He would not—he could not have been ready to play his part in the great drama of which he was the principal character. But this brave boy had a purpose in life. He was determined to win in the conflict.

Finally developments came so rapidly that he himself was probably more than amazed. But he was ready to enter the open door and in he went. He was made governor of Egypt, rode in the king's second chariot, had charge of all the wealth of Egypt, knew his brethren when they came to buy corn received his father and the whole family, and they all bowed to him for he was up next to the king. He became a prophet and told of the exodus of Israel and made mention of how they would carry his bones up to the home land when they left Egypt. He had a purpose in view and reached the goal. There was something accomplished in his life. And his life is a book read by millions with admiration and amazement, and no one can read the history of his life without being touched and influenced more or less by its sweet fragrance and vital accomplishments.

There is always something accomplished by those who aspire to greater heights. We are now in the midst of the

greatest revolution that has ever been. It is a time for great promotions. Somebody will occupy the high positions that will soon be open. But such positions will never be filled by those who have no purpose in view and have no aspirations to higher attainments.

Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the king's meat nor would he be disloyal to his God by ceasing to pray three times a day as had been his custom. Although he went by way of the lion's den he rose to eminence and greatness and his life still stands out as a monument of faithfulness. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego purposed in their hearts that they would not bow down to Nebuchadnezzar's image, and although they went through the furnace of fire they were promoted to high honor in the king's province and they, too, stand as monuments of loyalty and amazing stability against all the storms of the ages.

Who would not profit by reading the history of such noble lives? Who would not be made better men and better women by reading of the apostles and prophets of bygone years? Who would not be made better by a close study of the Holy Scriptures and other good books? Who would not become more spiritual by spending much time in prayer rather than wandering around aimlessly and carelessly when not occupied in the daily rounds of life?

It is time for us to aspire to the highest heights attainable through Christ. Some one must reach these heights. Some body must be possessor of the gifts of the twelfth chapter of first Corinthians. When we begin to think of the great things ahead we are ready to exclaim, There is no end to development and advancement when pursued with vigor and determination. It is true intellectually, it is true spiritually.

I know a man who has often been insisted upon to "come over and sit with us and talk a while," but he has as often politely declined because he felt it was too much like spending his time in idleness, unless he had an object in view; then he was ready. He feels that every moment

Rock Island, Tenn.

Dear brother Tomlinson and all the saints:

Greetings in the name of the Lord. I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the blessed Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. I praise God for sending brother T. S. Payne to show us the light on the Holy Ghost.

I love to read the Evangel and hear what the Lord is doing through His children.

My hope was gone but now I sing this song:

"He made me what I am.
He made me what I am;
Though stained with guilt
His blood He spilt
To make me what I am."

I am now walking in the narrow way and it is my desire to see the resurrection day and hear the heavenly choir. I know the Savior is coming soon to catch away His bride then we will see the nail prints in His hands, and see His wounded side. Praise the Lord He fills His children with the Holy Ghost. There are many more hungry souls here. I am glad I ever found this way, it is the only way to heaven.

Your sister in Christ,
Bettie Ward.

should be spent for good in some way. Time is too precious and the goal is too far in the distance for any of us to while away the time in idleness. Souls are to be saved. We must study and read and pray to know how to win them for God and heaven. The Lord's Church must be prepared and made ready for her Lord when he comes for her. Each member should study and read and pray to know how best to adorn and beautify her by gentleness, faithfulness, humility and love. Those that spend the most time in development and advancement spiritually and intellectually are the less apt to get entangled with others in strife or evil surmisings.

Each one has a race to run, and if you should idle away a few moments and fail to reach the goal just by a little loss of time, you would certainly be sorry when it is too late. Let us make the best of the fleeting moments as they pass and be able to enter in through the gates into the city.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

Hope the evangelists and pastors will push the subscriptions. Some may subscribe of themselves, but most people wait to be asked. They love for some one to ask them to subscribe and send the money for them.

The revival and camp-meeting season is now on. We would like to have some one at each camp-meeting and revival as a special representative. We will take pleasure in furnishing sample copies and a subscription receipt book to any who will represent the Evangel and write for them.

One of the most effective ways to do good is to put good reading matter in the homes. By placing the Evangel in a home you are the means of sending a pentecostal service to that home every week. There are the preachers and the witnesses. The rich testimonials that appear every week reminds one of being in a pentecostal meeting.

We would like to have every one that holds Evangelist's certificate to report to us occasionally, so we may know what you are doing. There are some we have not heard from for a long time. We don't know whether you are dead or alive—whether you are still pushing the fight against sin or have left the battlefield. Let us hear from you, if only a postal card giving your post office address.

Much has been said about an "invisible church of which every child of God is a member." A proper study of the Scriptures and a deliverance from traditions and opinions

will clear up this matter as other teachings have been made clear in the same manner. Bear in mind that there is no government needed where there is nothing to govern, and church means government.

Dallas, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to sound a note of praise to God for what He has done for me. I praise Him for taking snuff away from me. He hears His children when they call upon Him. I am glad He is preparing His people for His coming.

I want the saints to pray earnestly for me for I am afflicted and have to endure much pain. I want to be perfectly healed and receive the Holy Ghost that I may shout His praises forever. My sister and myself are all that are in this way in this community and the devil certainly tries to pull us down but we know this is the only way to heaven. The Lord gives us power to overcome the devil. People come to me and tell me that the Lord can't heal like He did when He was here on earth and that I had better have a doctor, but I am trusting in God for He is just the same today as when He was here on earth. I want to get more of the love of God that I may overcome at all times.

Your sister under the blood,
Salena Warren.

Lindale, Ga.

Dear Saints:

Greetings in the precious name of Christ. I praise God that He ever saved, sanctified, and filled me with the Holy Ghost and He testified according to Acts 2:4. The Comforter still abides. The way grows brighter every day, and I want to go all the way with the Savior for it is so sweet to trust in Him. I praise God for healing my body. I am a member of the Church of God. I love the Evangel, it is food to my soul for I do not get to go to meeting much. Please pray a special prayer for my husband that he may be saved and also pray for me that I may stay in the center of God's will at all times.

Your sister awaiting His coming,

Lizzie Alexander.

If a man must have a pure heart in order to see God, what about the Campbellites, the Seventh-day Adventists, and the Baptists looking on His glory and majesty?—M. S. Lemons.

A COMPLETE SAVIOR

R. J. Ingram

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I thought I would write a few words for the Evangel. We are living in a time of lawlessness so far as the laws of heaven are concerned. Faith is almost extinct and the Word of God seldom read and less understood. Fashion sits in the pew and infidelity stands in the pulpit. Scientists put God out of the universe and the higher critics are seated on the throne, and almost the whole religious world, so-called, are presenting to God their vain worship based on the commandments of men.

I heard a preacher say the holiness church was of the devil. God pity such men. The same preacher was heard to say that if a man died unprepared he would have thousands of years after death to get ready for the judgment. We are living in a serious time.

Unbelievers will not always reign
There dawns a brighter day.
When Jesus comes to earth again
To hold eternal sway.

At Math. 1:21 we read, "And thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins." Can Christ cleanse from sin? Some will say, No. If He cannot then the Bible is false. If He can, why are so many of the so-called Christians so opposed to holiness? Come now, let us reason together. I say the blood of Jesus has power to cleanse from all sin in this life, or it has not. Sin exists in the soul and must be put away and this is the great principle upon which all depends.

Jesus the Savior left His shining courts and came into this world and died to save men and women from their sins, and this is what every believer should expect, and what he must have in this life if he is saved. Christ is not a partial Savior, He saves to the uttermost all who truly come to Him. That which we have heard and seen declare we unto you that you may be cleansed from all sin and be filled with all the fullness of God. This is the glorious news.

It is strange that ministers will say from the pulpit that you can't be saved from sin in this life when Christ died for this very purpose. All who have a hope of seeing Christ as He is and enjoying Him in His own glory purifieth himself even as He is pure. When the heart is purified it is the business of those who are pure to keep themselves in the love of God looking for the mercy

or the Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

Will these sin-loving ministers permit me to ask how much sin we may be saved from in this life? Something must be ascertained on this subject that the soul may have some definite object in view that it may not waste its time and employ its faith and energy in praying for something it is not possible to obtain.

It is strange that men who profess to be Christians will try to lower the standard of Christianity and teach the younger generation that this is not the will of God, even our sanctification. It is stated in Scripture and believers are assured and know that they are forgiven and justified from all things. (Acts 13:38, 39.) They know they are redeemed with the precious blood of Christ. 1 Pet. 1:18, 19. They know they have eternal life. 1 Jno. 5:13. God has said it and we should give the more earnest heed lest we should let it slip.

ANVIL SPARKS

M. S. Lemons.

Some men teach evolution, that is, that we all originated from the monkey, and that through good breeding we were brought up to this high state of development: and that when we die we will turn to some beautiful butterfly, or bird, or some desirable animal. If this should be the case; surely most all the boys living in these last days will be suckling calves, and the girls long unfeathered-necked birds with a slim tail like the opossum.

Adam was the first man;
Methuselah was the oldest man;
Moses was the meekest man;
Samson was the strongest man;
Solomon was the wisest man;
Jesus was the best man;
Ananias and his wife were both liars: an example to all who should afterward lie to the Holy Ghost.

God instructed His people to wear modest apparel, thus showing the world they were dressed for heaven.

The devil is making relentless war on the souls of men and women with that deadly weapon, "youthful lusts."

"Go into my vineyard and work," means to preach the gospel, and sacrifice home

life and the pleasures of this world, and live and labor for the salvation of others.

Careless people neglect to pray and testify, but they take care to eat lots and laugh a good deal.

A desire to fast and pray is a sure sign of some anxiety to get closer to God.

Deep spirituality is noticeable in earnest prayers and many tears with solemn devotion.

Backsliding uncovers itself in frivolity and giddy actions.

Short snappy words and sour looks is a sure sign of a close relation to the devil.

If all liars have their part in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, how large will the lake be?

Righteousness will form a gulf between you and evil association.

"God has set adversity over against prosperity, so that men may find nothing after them."—Solomon.

Filthiness and righteousness will not work together, why yoke them?

If you love God like you do your fellowman, don't you think that He may send you as He did Jesus, to save some world of lost humanity?

A big heart is manifest in little acts of kindness.

"A fool is known by a multitude of words" is why many like to be so prominent.

It was the little church three hundred miles north of Jerusalem, set in order by Paul and Barnabas, named Antioch, where the members were first called Christians. They talked in tongues and had the gift of interpretation. See Acts 13.

There are tens of thousands of preachers who disbelieve, reject and renounce the doctrine of sanctification and the baptism with the Holy Ghost, what could Jesus say to them if He did not say, "Depart from me, I know you not?"

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We Must Measure up to the Standard---The Overcomers Do

Sam C. Perry

"For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little and there a little." Isa. 28, 10.

The victory is not necessarily to the strong or the wise, but to those who win. Many contestants have thought that they possessed superior strength or wisdom, therefore went into the contest carelessly, taking it for granted that they were bound to win, and been defeated. Perhaps they were easily able to have won, but their opponent took advantage of some minor blunder or weakness and defeated them. So in this great contest for the prize the Lord has set before us some get careless, although they have in the past fought valiantly and come off many battlefields victorious, yet Satan is taking advantage of them, and, notwithstanding the fact that they still cling to the doctrine and profess as they have in former days, and still have the outward form of godliness, there are some things in which they are sadly lacking. They are scarcely aware that the enemy has succeeded so well in overcoming them and defeating their christian experience. But they are defeated, nevertheless, even if they do continue to pray, and testify in public, teach a Sunday School class, lead a prayer-meeting, or attempt to preach the gospel.

Here are some of the marks of defeat, indications that you are not up to the standard:

1. Carelessness with regard to prayer, prayer for yourself, without which you can never live the victorious life everywhere, prayer for effectiveness in your work, prayer for your loved ones and those about you, prayer for the work in general and the Lord's cause throughout the whole world. There is no use to deny or make excuse if you are failing on this line your soul is lean and you are a weakling in the army of the Lord.

2. Lack of divine love. Some persons are distasteful to you, and you can hardly treat them kindly, while those who please you and are your favorites you cannot do too much for them, or have them with you enough. Selfish love, human love. That love which holds with all, fills the heart and life, never faileth is to you a stranger. It may seem a small matter to you that you haven't love for all of God's creatures and servants but it is a sign that is big enough to show that you

haven't got on the "wedding garment." Faith, hope, love, the greatest of these is love, if you have it, it shows in every step of your life and in your relationship with all men.

3. Selfishness, which makes us neglect our duty to others, that we owe to them. It would be difficult to cite the cases in which Christians practice selfishness. It may be that it is manifested more frequently over material affairs, it is so hard for some to get to a place where no envy or jealousy will come in. There are so many places where Satan finds a place for an entering wedge. It may be a certain person's work is more successful than another, or one can sing or play better, or one feels that he has more rights than some one else, and his rights are trampled on. So easy it is to shut up in our narrow shell and fail to give another the loving fellowship and hearty co-operation due him as a servant of our own Master. May God give us grace to be forever cured on this line.

4. Backbiting---this word sounds very unpleasant to the ear that is trained to heavenly music, and should be so despised by every professed follower of Jesus, that their conduct and conversation would be such that it would never apply to them in any sense. But how sad that this is not the case. The tongue is an unruly member. Many who have professed holiness of heart, and even received their Pentecost have found this to be true, as they have not succeeded in bridling it and keeping it out of other people's affairs. This is certainly a work of defeat which will disappear when we reach the overcomer's life. May we hasten to that plain of experience.

5. Minding the things of the world. Such a thing as this should never need to be mentioned even among the sanctified, but there are some who profess to be a little higher up who show some traits that can be traceable to nothing else but this evil, and it must be in the heart or it would not show in the outward life. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." They have surely forgotten that God says "The friendship of the world is enmity with Him. Also if any man love the world, the love of the father is not in him."

6. Pride, fashion, conforming to the ways and tastes of the world. How many of our young people

(and some older ones, and mothers too, be it said to their shame) have not learned the folly of these things. We may well doubt the experiences of those who think more of their personal appearance and complexion, and give more attention to these things, than to prayer and the preparation of their heart and mind for the services at the house of God. There is no use to mince matters on this line, you will make no impression in the world for good and for God until these things are put aside. We can't follow the meek and lowly Jesus and be in discord with the world. The two are absolutely, eternally at variance with each other. You can side with only one at a time.

These are only a part of the many things that the people of God must not indulge and practice.

Let us go meekly, humbly, submissively, obediently to Him for grace and power that in all things we may measure up, that we may in that day be without spot and blameless before him in love. Amen and Amen.

Farmville, Ga.

Dear Saints:

Greeting in Jesus' dear name. I am praising God for a full and free salvation that keeps me every day. I thank God because one of His servants ever came to this place. I thank God for the blessed Holy Ghost and for His wonderful healing power.

We had meeting here Saturday night and when the saints arrived I was in bed sick but by night I was up for meeting, praise His holy name. My husband has been seeking the Holy Ghost for some time and I want you all to pray for him and also for me that I may stay humble at Jesus' dear feet.

Your sister under the blood, Mrs. Mary Stewart.

Corbin, Ky.

Great meeting in progress here, the entire town is very much stirred up and many souls already gone through to victory. A great number of churches are represented. Altars are crowded by earnest seekers. We have one gospel trumpet preacher. A young man had to give up his home to go this way. Thirteen followed the Lord in water baptism last Sunday and more to follow. Many are coming for miles around. Interest has been rising ever since the meeting started

and the end is not near from the indications all point to a great work being done.

J. S. Llewellyn.

Dallas, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I praise God for this wonderful salvation that will stand when this old world is on fire. I have something that the world cannot give, praise His name. I am so glad because the sweet peace abides in my soul. All desire for worldly pleasures has left me and all filth of the flesh. I have lost the carnal mind and the Comforter abides in my heart.

I pray that we may all go deeper in the love of Jesus for I feel that the coming of the Lord draweth nigh and we know we shall be like Him for we shall see Him as He is. We must stay pure and humble. Glory, Hallelujah!

Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." (Luke 10:19, 20.) Praise God because we can trust Him with our soul and body. May the Lord bless the Church of God everywhere.

Your sister in Jesus,
Bell Warren.

Sweetwater, Route 1.

Glad to say that the Lord is still with us and the work building up in this part of the field. We are intending to hold an all day meeting on the fourth of July. Tellico Plains people will be with us at that time.

T. E. Clowers.
F. L. Ryder.

Chattanooga, Tenn.

We are having good meetings. Nine have received the Holy Ghost and ten joined the church. Altar full of seekers last night, large crowds attend.

J. L. Scott.

Hiwassee, Va.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson:

I have received the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues as the spirit gave utterance.

We have been having some good meetings and interest is at high tide. Attendance is unusually large. A good number of people have joined the church.

Pray for me that I may ever live close to Jesus.

Your little brother in Christ,

Gaylon D. Trim.

PERILOUS TIMES

Z. D. Simpson.

Now is the time to be wise and repent and renounce the spirit of antichrist, "the spirit that now worketh in children of disobedience." Eph. 2:2. "Come out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord." 2 Cor. 6:14-18. Listen at the last call from heaven to Isreal, just before the final crash on Babylon. "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." Rev. 18:4-10. God is about to deal with this world as He has never dealt with it before; and everything is maturing fast for the final stroke. Men are now busy with their plans and think to work out sublime results by their endeavors. They are fondly hoping to see the world set right by their increased and improved machinery, by education, social reform, law-making and popular legislation. The time is right now that you must belong to some order and wear the badge of the organization to which you belong, if you have any standing in certain rings and circles.

People are at a loss to know what to do in these awful days. Never before in the history of the world were there so many nations at war as at this present time. The whole world is in a state of unrest and worse than all there is no star of hope rising that seems to indicate a better condition of things. It is the time of God's judgments, and all the powers, kingdoms and nations must yet be mightily broken up and cast down until they recognize Him, whose right it is to rule. The nations have forgotten God (Psa. 9:17.) and have run after greed and gain, and warring and killing each other until now He has begun to move in His awful judgments against world rulers and war lords.

In the midst of these perilous times God is gathering out a people that will never resort to such things as lodges. Thank God, we intend to follow Christ (Jno. 18:20.) neither do we expect to be yoked up with unbelievers, or have fellowship with them. (2 Cor. 6:14.)

"A wise man will hear *** and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels." Prov. 1:5. Look at 2 Cor. 6:17, "Come out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord *** and I will receive you."

Thank God, He prepares a table for His people even in the presence of their enemies, also He anoints our heads with oil and our cups run over. Hallelujah, Amen thank God for the Holy Ghost. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our life and we will dwell in the Church of God or the house of God forever.

Called Home.

Sister Curtis of Loving, Ga. departed this life at her home June 12, aged 81 years. She had received the Holy Ghost and talked in tongues and was a member of the Church of God at Jones, Go. R. H. Flowers and other saints held meeting at her house and heard her shout and praise God. She fell to the floor and died without a struggle. She has gone to be with Jesus. —Gus Tarpley.

Durant, Fla.

Greeting in Jesus' name.

We are thanking God for victory through the blood of Christ, and a stronger desire to go through with Him. We desire a deeper and closer walk with our Lord, and more love and power. We praise God for having been able to attend part of the Wimauma Camp Meeting. We are still anxious to go to the Bahama islands. We expect to start as soon as we get means.

Dear ones, pray earnestly for us that God will get glory out of our lives.

Your brother and sister,
C. C. Gillette and wife.

Seneca, S. C.

Dear brother Tomlinson and all the saints:

Greetings in the blessed name of Jesus. I am still saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

I have been very sick but I am trusting in God for the healing of my body and I believe I am getting better. My father is a physician and some of my people have been trying to get me to take medicine, but Jesus is my Physician and Healer and I intend to be true to Him for He is my all in all.

Bro. C. T. Morgan preaches at my home every second Sunday and the Lord seems to be blessing him.

I do wish that more lost sinners could know of this true gospel and would turn to Jesus before it is too late.

I want to come to the Assembly if it is the Lord's will.

I am trying to get nearer to Jesus every day.

I'm pressing on the upward way.
New heights I'm gaining every day.
Still praying as I onward bound,
Lord plant my feet on higher ground.

Glory to God I know that the Lord loves me. I am always glad to get the Evangel for it gives me much comfort. Glory to God. Pray for me please.

Your humble sister in Him,
Mrs. Ada Rhodes.

Blairsville, Ga.

Dear Evangel Family:

I want to sound a note of praise and give a little account of the work in the mountains of north Georgia.

After the assembly I went to Valdosta and worked in that vicinity till the last of January when brother Anderson asked me to come up here and pastor this work.

I left Valdosta, Ga. on the night of January 21st, stayed one night in Atlanta, came on to Culberson, N. C. which is the nearest railroad point to this section. On Sunday brother McGlamery sent his wagon after me. The first news I received on my arrival was that the church house was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. It made me think but not discouraged.

After having a weeks meeting I began to learn the condition of things in the church. Several were using snuff and other things not Christlike existing in the hearts of some of the members. A flock without a shepherd does not often succeed well. I have a heart of pity and love rather than condemnation for such people.

We went to work believing that all things are possible with God and to him that believeth, praying and talking with the members. I agree with brother Tomlinson that we need big praying these days. The result is that several who were using tobacco have overcome through prayer. One brother had used it sixty-five years. Other things which hindered the work are passing away and the old time power is beginning to fall again. Bless God I love these dear people.

We have no house of worship, but feel the time is coming when we will have one. The saints have had a hard time against the enemy.

We have gone into a new field eight miles farther into the mountains, where we go once a month. Since February three have received the Holy Ghost, one sanctified, and three added to the church.

We have the work at Jones chapel, also at brother Tarpley's near Culberson, N. C. The work at Jones' chapel is still worse than here; about forty-five members: but where are they?

The Lord is working at brother Tarpley's and souls are coming into the light of this way.

We are praying and looking forward to having a good meeting this summer. This is a needy field and a hard one, but I feel it must be taken for Jesus. There is

some good material in these mountains and the devil knows it. It seems we can hear an abundance of rain coming and a going in the mulberry trees.

I believe the walls are falling and I can feel the victory ahead and I just feel like shouting the victory. Praise God. We feel alone here, no workers ever passing this way. If any of our workers would like to come this way we will meet them at Culberson, N. C.

Pray for us.

Yours in Him,

P. F. Fritz.

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To the Evangel Family:

Greeting. I have found some of the Lord's anointed here. I expect to be here two or three weeks. One has received the Holy Ghost and several saved and sanctified. One woman fell under the power and in vision saw heaven and hell. She says she never wants to make another trip to hell in vision or any other way.

I want all the saints to pray that I may stay in God's will. expect to go from here to Claude, Miss. and start a meeting. I would be glad to have some of the saints of Miss. or La. with me there. Hope Brother Lemons will come down in southern Miss. and help me. Hope brother Caruthers will come to this place soon and set the church in order.

Your brother,

W. E. Evans, Evan.

Parkersburg, W. Va.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

I want to testify to what God is doing at this place. Bro. Rumler has been doing much good here and we sure do praise God for sending him to preach us the word. Glory to God.

I was out in the world but Jesus saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. I am praying that my husband and five children will get this wonderful blessing. Glory.

Your sister in Christ,

Mrs. Lettie Burgy.

Cedar Hill, Tenn.

To all the saints:

Greetings in Christ's name.

I praise God for full and free salvation which I received not long ago and it still abides as fresh and sweet as the day He came in and testified for Himself. The way gets brighter every day. I praise God for leading me into light of this beautiful way. Although I was a holiness fighter, He reached down in His tender mercy and took me in. When I was willing to believe His Word and let Him have His way with me. He sanctified me.

Pray for me that I may stay true to Christ and stay humble at His feet. We are praying that our church will grow and that much good may be done.

Praise God for what He is doing and for the way He leads His children.

Your sister under the blood,
S. E. Blakely.

Taft, Fla.

Dear brothers and sisters:

I praise God for His love and goodness. I became a Christian about a year ago and I had a wonderful experience. The devil has been trying hard to win me back but I have a good will power to fight him a good fight until the end and when Christ comes there will be glory and peace forever. Praise His holy name.

My-husband does not believe in this way so I do not get to go to church and I want all who read this to pray for me and my husband that he may get hungry for salvation. I have two little boys and a baby girl and I want to raise them for God. I will pay the price and serve the dear Lord if it takes my life. Glory. The Word says that man can destroy the body but not the soul.

I would like to get letters from some of God's people as I don't get to talk with any of the saints often.

I do feel that it won't be long until Jesus comes. Let us pray much and try to be doing something at all times that is pleasing to Him. Praise God for a true way. "To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God." Rev. 2:7.

Your sister in Christ.

Blanche Crosby.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Dear brother Tomlinson and all the saints:

I am saved, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost, Glory. How I do thank my blessed Savior for calling me out of darkness into this blessed light. Praise God for His blessings and His great keeping power. Father and mother have the Holy Ghost and we sure have a glorious time here at home. The power falls and the power is manifested by speaking in tongues, singing under the power dancing and praising God. Oh what a joyful time we do have.

There has been some wonderful healings here in our home by the mighty power of God. My baby fell into the fire and was badly burned, and we prayed and the mighty power of God fell and in a short while the baby went to sleep and slept two or three hours. The child did not seem to suffer much more with the bad burn.

How sweet it is to know that we are walking in the light of God and to know that He will heal us and bless us according to the blessed plan.

We have to go to Buhl about fifteen miles to meeting. Brother Z. D. Simpson is our beloved pastor there. Your sister awaiting His soon coming.

Mrs. Dollie Jacobs.